COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES – DAVIS COUNTY

COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES December 6, 2022

The Davis County Commission met for a special meeting on Tuesday, December 6, 2022, at 6:00 PM at the Davis County Administration Building, 61 South Main Street, Room 303, Farmington, Utah to hold a public hearing for open discussion related to the adoption of the proposed Davis County 2022 Budget.

Present on the dais were: Commissioner Randy B. Elliott, Chair; Bob J Stevenson, Commissioner; Curtis Koch, Clerk/Auditor; and Neal Geddes, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney.

Excused: Commissioner Lorene Miner Kamalu was attending a National Waste Conference and joined telephonically a few minutes into the meeting.

All documents from this meeting are on file in the Davis County Clerk/Auditor's Office. The agenda for this meeting is incorporated into the minutes as item headers.

OPENING

The meeting convened at 6:00 p.m. and Deputy Clerk/Auditor Brian McKenzie led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public was invited to make comments to the Commission.

No comment was made.

PUBLIC HEARING

Com. Stevenson moved to open the Pubic Hearing. Com. Elliott seconded. All present voted aye.

BUDGET OVERVIEW

2023 Tentative Budget Recap - Presented by Curtis Koch, Davis County Clerk/Auditor

On November 1, 2022, the Tentative Budget was made public. The Clerk/Auditor explained that the Elected Officials, Department Heads, Budget Committee, and various staff worked together diligently to provide a balanced budget for the General Fund, Fund 10. The budget was turned over to the Commission on November 1, 2022. The various changes that have been made to that budget were shown to those in attendance and are attached to these minutes for review.

See Attachment A: 2023 Budget Recap - Tentative to Final Budget Changes.

Commissioner Stevenson said that this year's budget process has probably been the most intense he has gone through in all the years he has worked in government. He said they were able to accomplish two of the most important aspects of this year's budget, those being the taxpayer and the Davis County employees. The Commissioner commented on the amount of work put into the budget by everyone.

Commissioner Elliott echoed the intensity of this year's budget process with the multiple meetings and going through the budget line-by-line. He commented on the great input by the Administrative Officers and the amount of work put in by the Sheriff's Office.

Commissioner Kamalu said that she has observed one budget process and has taken part in four, and this year has been the most challenging due to inflation. She expressed how proud she is of the Clerk/Auditor, his team, and all the Davis County Departments. She expressed her excitement for the public to become more aware and encouraged them to read the Executive Summary of the budget and to follow what is happening in Davis County.

Clerk/Auditor Curtis Koch said that to be as transparent as possible, each office's salary from 2022 and 2023 was shown. It was explained that Ordinance 07-2022 was enacted for the attorney's position and that all of the Davis County Employees, including Elected Officials, will receive a 3% cost of living adjustment. See Attachment B: 2023 Davis County Elected Official Salary.

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Human Resources Director Chris Bone acknowledged the hard work done every day by the Davis County Elected Officials in their difficult leadership positions and said that giving them the same cost of living adjustment as the other employees, and keeping up with the current market conditions, is the right thing to do.

Commissioner Stevenson said that last year, the Davis County employees received a cost of living adjustment as well. He stated that this year, with the Feds increasing Social Security up to just 9%, inflation running, and the Consumer Price Index being as it is, the employees understand that the Commission not only need to take care of them but also the taxpayers. Commissioner Stevenson expressed his gratitude for the work the employees did on the budget and also thanked Chris Bone for the work he did on the budget and the information he supplied that helped them in making the budget decisions.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public was invited to make comments to the Commission.

No comment was made.

Commissioner Stevenson moved to close the Public Hearing. Com. Kamalu seconded. All present voted aye.

Commissioner Stevenson moved to approve the proposed 2023 Davis County Budget. Com. Kamalu seconded. All present voted aye.

COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Elliott invited comments from the dais.

Curtis Koch expressed his gratitude to the Chief Deputy Auditor, Angie Nelson, who joined the Davis County team at the end of August. Mr. Koch said Angie has an incredible amount of talent and dedication that helped in putting this budget together.

Commissioner Kamalu also thanked Angie Nelson for her work.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The Commission meeting was adjourned at 6:09 p.m.

All publicly distributed materials associated with this meeting are noted as follows:

- A. 2023 Budget Recap Tentative to Final Budget Changes
- B. 2023 Davis County Elected Official Salary

Minutes prepared by:

Rian Santoro Minutes approved on: 12/20/2022

Deputy Clerk/Auditor

/s/ Curtis Koch
Curtis Koch
Randy B. Elliott
Clerk/Auditor
Commission Chair

APPROVED